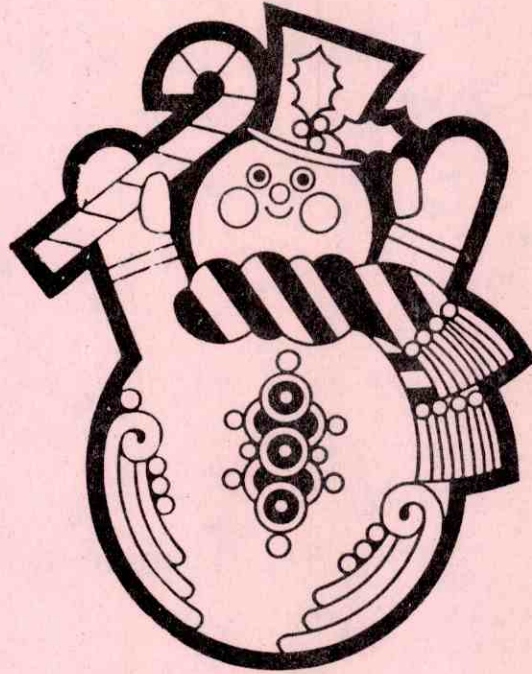


The
Mad Hatter
A Douglas College Newsletter

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ALL COLLEGE PERSONNEL

are invited to a

WINE & CHEESE

CHRISTMAS GET TOGETHER

Thursday, December 15 1500 hours 4th Floor Boardroom

**Merry
Christmas**

ATTENTION ALL COLD MEMBERS OF THE COLLEGE COMMUNITY

The recent cold temperatures have produced a number of anomalies in the design and functioning of the heating systems in the facility.

It has been discovered that both mechanical penthouses are under negative pressure because, at cool temperatures, the amount of fresh air supplied to the system is less than the amount of exhaust air removed from the buildings.

Due to a construction deficiency we are unable to effectively seal off the planned openings between the top of the concourse, on the south side, and the exterior space above the roof of the south building. This means that the negative pressure in the south mechanical penthouse is pulling vast quantities of exterior air from the top of the concourse which, in turn, puts the concourse into a negative pressure situation.

These problems are all being attacked concurrently and will be solved completely within the next few weeks. In the meantime, however, the following building spaces will be considerably cooler than desired.

1. The concourse - in particular, that area of the concourse in the immediate vicinity of the security desk, since the negative pressure inside the concourse is pulling cold air through and around the doors and end louvres.
2. Offices and classrooms in close proximity to concourse entrances since, as these entrances are used, and the doors open, quantities of cold concourse air are flooding the building corridors.
3. All building spaces adjacent to exterior glazed walls since the negative pressure in the space is causing cold air infiltration around the glass.

It is almost pointless to attempt to examine problems with heating or ventilating of a specific nature, in specific areas, until the overall problems have been solved because many of the specific problems, while

apparently unrelated, are in fact directly connected to the major problem - that of negative pressurization.

Please bear with us, we are all affected in one way or another.

West Graydon

STUDENT FINANCE & PLACEMENT DECEMBER OFFICE HOURS

Mon, Tues, Wed, & Fri: 1000 - 1200 hours
1300 - 1600 hours
Thur: 1300 - 1600 hours

The Student Finance & Placement Office will be CLOSED on the following days:

Monday, December 26 to Tuesday, January 3

The Office will re-open, at registration, on January 4.

CHRISTMAS WISHES

The Safety Committee would like to extend its Best Wishes to everyone for a SAFE and happy holiday season!

CHRISTMAS GIVING

The Christmas Bureau of the United Way has set up a food hamper located on the concourse level, opposite the Security Desk. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you!

REGISTRATION - SPRING '84

The Registration Orientation meeting will be held:

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1983

TIME: 1430 hours

ROOM: 1812

Specific details of the registration process will be provided. Everyone participating in the registration process should attend this meeting.

The registration staffing list will be distributed before this meeting.

MAPLE RIDGE HOLIDAY CLOSURE

There will be no staff at the Maple Ridge Centre between 1600 hours on December 22 and 0830 hours on January 4.

Therefore, if you telephone on these dates, most likely, no one will answer.

If someone were there to answer, however, that someone would say, "Everyone at Maple Ridge wishes everyone at New Westminster a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Fulfilling Year of Peace in 1984."

See you next year!

Larry Davies
Sherry Walker

STRESS/TIME MANAGEMENT WORKSHOPS

Are you stressed out and having trouble juggling your time? Come to the Stress and Time Management Workshops on January 19 and 26, and February 2 from 1000 to 1200 hours.

Enrollment is limited to 18. Admission is free. Please contact Wendy or Connie in Counselling, 520-5486.

NOTE: It is necessary to attend all three sessions.

IMPORTANT DATES
FROM THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

Fri Dec 9	Grade packs sent to Chairmen/Directors
Dec 15-22	Advance registration - career programs
Dec 15-21	Exam week
Mon. Dec 19	Deadline for calendar copy submission
Wed Dec 21	Grades due for courses without a final exam
Dec 24-28	College closed
Fri Dec 30	ALL GRADES DUE in the Office of the Registrar no later than 1200 Noon
Dec 31-Jan 3	College closed
Jan 4,5&6	Spring Registration Week Fall grades mailed to students
Mon Jan 9	Late registration/First day of classes Fall grade lists distributed to Chairmen/Directors for verification

GRADUATION APPLICATIONS

ATT: ALL INSTRUCTORS

Please inform those students who are expecting to complete the required credits for Spring Graduation, to pick up their graduation application form from the Office of the Registrar before February 3, 1984.

Your cooperation would be appreciated.

Thank you for your attention.

THE MIDDLE POSITION

In my previous submission to this newsletter, I argued that only the two extremes of absolute purity and total depravity can be defended with any integrity. It was pointed out to me by someone that there is a good argument for the middle position because that is where we all live. I readily agree that we live in the middle if, in fact, we can assign any meaning to such an idea.

For the person who accepts the concepts of absolute purity and total depravity, a position in the middle is indeed possible. When he falls short of absolute purity, as he will inevitably do, he finds himself in need of forgiveness. Or he may consciously choose to go in the opposite direction. His position can be compared to that of a point on a line between two extremes and having a real sense of the difference between the two directions that he can go.

The moral position of the person who does not accept the above concepts is more like that of an arrow (vector) in space. This arrow is not pointed to any particular target, but merely "is". Thus the words "absolute purity" and "total depravity" no longer have any meaning. They are merely illusions of those persons who attempt to define the direction they are headed.

When fully understood, this concept is difficult to maintain. The person who denies absolutes may find himself believing that slavery is 'wrong' under any circumstances. But that is clearly nonsense. If I am a slave owner all I have to do is say "hurrah for slavery", to paraphrase the words of one particular moral critic. Thus shouts of "hurrah for disarmament", "hurrah for murder", "hurrah for abortion", "hurrah for severance pay", "hurrah for restraint", are not statements about right or wrong but merely statements about the individuals direction in space.

The moment I make statements like "According to my moral code you should not do such and such", I am losing sight of my presuppositions and attempting to establish a point on a line between absolute purity and total

depravity. To make a mathematical analogy, it is meaningless to speak of a sum of vectors (arrows) being points on a line.

Al Harms

LEARNING RESOURCE CENTRE
CHRISTMAS CLOSURE

The Learning Resource Centre will be closed between Christmas and New Years.

If you have any concerns or require special arrangements, please call Virginia Chisholm for clarification, local 2122.

Thank you.

UNCLAIMED MATERIAL

I am finding that a lot of papers, envelopes, and circulars are finding their way down to my desk. Many of these lack proper identification as to their origin.

To avoid having them eventually thrown in the garbage, please leave a note with your name and local, in order that they may be returned to the sender should they not be picked up in a few days.

Please help us to help you to avoid any unnecessary disposal of any literature that is dropped off at the Security Desk.

Thank you.

Lucille Keim
Security Supervisor

FOR SALE

17 cu. ft. two door, frost free fridge

Good working order

Colour - white

\$100.00

(cont'd)

Baycrest full size range
Continuous clean
Oven timer, rotisserie, one outlet
Colour - white
\$275.00

Trumphet
King Cleveland 600
\$225.00

Please contact Muriel Minshall @ 936-7132
if interested in any of the above items.

FOR SALE

Two seats to "Madama Butterfly" in Vancouver
January 28
Section CTR, Row B, seats 9 & 10
\$29.50 each

Two seats to "Elektra" in Seattle
March 24
Section 5, Row C, seats 1 & 2 (aisle)
\$23.60 (U.S.) each

Please phone Peter Henderson at 682-8290 if
interested in any of the above items.

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* TO STUDENTS, FACULTY, STAFF AND FRIENDS OF MAPLE RIDGE CENTRE *

We hope that you and your family can join the "CHRISTMAS IS FOR GIVING"
Pot Luck and Hamper on DECEMBER 20th at Douglas College, Maple Ridge Centre.

P R O G R A M M E

- POT LUCK DINNER AT 5:30 p.m. - You may sign the menu notice at Maple Ridge Centre or phone Sherry at 467-6811.
- HAMPER DONATIONS - Our hamper family this year, has two parents and three small children (6 yr. old boy, 3 yr. old girl, 1 yr. old girl).
- SANTA AND ELF - These two visitors from our northern college territories will have some goodies for the children at the Pot Luck.
- CAROL SINGING - Our own Rob Dramer will lead us in some superb renditions of happy holiday songs.

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HOPE TO SEE YOU ON THE 20th at 5:30 p.m.

BRING A SPOUSE - BRING A FRIEND

BRING THE KIDS !

P.S. BRING A HAMPER DONATION

